LOCAL NOTES

John Collison, of Rock Hall, is prepared to do local long distance hauling at reasonable prices.

Next Tuesday is Rally Day. Sports will be the order of the day and a big time is expected.

T. W. Eliason's front yard is beautiful with its wealth of white bloom.

P. Medford Brooks is installing a new 85 horse power oil engine in his Radcliffe Flour Mills.

Gill Bros. will begin the operation of their new ice cream manufacturing plant this week.

The town commissioners are opening the ditch thru the water works lots which will be quite an improvement.

Strawberries have been on sale in town this week, home grown, at 35 cents per quart. "Dr." John Robinson was the first in Still Pond neighborhood.

The "Wet" Convention was held in Baltimore yesterday. The delegates from Kent were R. Hynson Rogers, Harry R. Graham, Foster Cannan, Chas. J. Reiche, S. W. Granberry and James G. Beck.

The regular monthly meeting of Women Voters will be held at the Inn on Thursday, May 18th, at 2.30 p. m. "Every citizen and intelligent voter" is the slogan of the league. New members welcome.

A large wistaria vine in gorgeous bloom in the flower yard of Miss Ida Crow, on Washington avenue, Chestertown, attracted wide attention.

A seven hole golf course has been constructed on the Campus at Washington College by Moss Bros. and Prof. Woodland. This is only a temporary course, for the purpose of creating interest among the men of the town so that in the near future a regular course may be built.

Arthur Cloak, the local umpire, officiated at the Washington College-St. John's game at Chestertown, in which W. C. were the victors. Coach Kibler wants him to Umpire in the Eastern Shore League, which starts June 12, and he will probably accept

Mrs. Thomas Blackinston, Crumpton, met with quite a painful accident Saturday afternoon, while driving along the public road, near Crumpton. Her horse became frightened and ran away upsetting the buggy, throwing Mrs. Blackiston out, dislocating her shoulder. Dr. Stack rendered medical aid.

Deputy Game Worden Joseph E. Watson calls attention to the passage of a law by the recent Maryland Legislature, making it unlawful to kill either male or female pheasants. Heretofore it has been lawful to kill male birds. The law was passed in order to give the game birds a better opportunity to increase, and those who violate the provisions of the new hunting law will be vigorously prosecuted.

The P. M. C. baseball team was defeated by the Washington nine at Chester, Pa., last Saturday 7 to 6. Bradford started on the mound but owing to his wildness gave way in the seventh to Wright who finished the game. The local boys hit the opposing twirlers hard driving Riley their star from the box in the first inning. The team left on Tuesday morning for its Southern trip. They met Georgetown on Tuesday afternoon and played two games with V. P. I. and two with Lynchburg College. They lost first two games.

Have you got your bundle ready for Bundle Day? If you haven't, hurry, for Bundle Day is May 16. Search the attic, go thru the trunks, empty the cupboards, get out every old garment and every old pair of shoes you can spare, for they are urgently, critically needed in the Caucasus and the Levant. Thousands upon thousands of little children, great hosts of adults, are looking to Maryland for clothing to replace the tatters they are now wearing. These tatters and rags are all is left of the clothing from last Bundle Day sent from Maryland.

On Saturday, May 27th, The Peerless Fertilizer Co. will sell three automobiles at public auction.

A dispatch from Cambridge, states that the American Stores Company, with main offices in Philadelphia and with branch stores throughout Maryland and Delaware, has purchased from the trustees of the Joseph B. Andrews Company, the canning house property at Hurlock. This plant was erected a few years ago, and is one of the most sanitary in the country and will be operated in the canning of tomatoes during the coming season for their stores.

Postmaster Bowers inaugurated "Postal Improvement Week" last week. An inspection of the rural routes emanating from the office was begun; one of the rural carriers, Fred. S. Russell, stopped on his route at two of the public schools and made short addresses to the pupils repairing the proper addressing of mails. The postmaster visited all the banks and leading business houses in the interest of the "mail early and often" campaign.

The baseball team of Christ M. P. Church Sunday school was defeated by Crumpton M. E. Church team last Saturday by a score of 11 to 7. The batteries: Crumpton — Horner and Carroll; Chestertown — Estes, Mason and Cranor. The feature of the game was the home run by Mason with two on bases. The return game will be played at Crumpton in the near future.

Mark Perkins, assistant manager of the A. & P. Stores, opened a bran new store at Rock Hall this week with Reuben Rodney in charge. Two ten ton trucks brought the stock of goods and within 24 hours Mr. Rodney was ready for business. Mr. Perkins has opened 727 stores since January 1st and 5727th store was opened at Seaford yesterday. The A. & P. adv. will be found in this issue.

Professor William Walter Chapman has been elected director of the music for the Washington College commencement exercises and the combined choirs of the town will render the music.

Rev. N. O. Gibson plucked some red ripe strawberries from his garden Thursday. He had berries last year until after snow fall and now he has them the first of the season. He is Alpha and Omega in the strawberry business.

The Chestertown Farmers' Association will hold their first meeting in the Court House next Tuesday evening, May 16th, at 8 o'clock for the purpose of discussing the buying and selling of farm products. All farmers whether members or not are invited.

Seaford packers who deal in crab meat have been warned by the United States Government that in the future all crab meat cans must be branded accurately with the kind or quality of meat the can contains. In other words if the brand on the can says "Lump Meat," the contents must be lump meat, and not the run of the crab. This order will mean that lump, flake, and claw meat must be carefully separated in the future, and the cans containing same branded accordingly.

Personal Tidings

Mr. and Mrs. George Chandler, of Salisbury, visited friends in town on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Groh have rented apartments in the Eastern Shore Inn.

S. Norman Crouch has been made an assistant manager of the big company with which he is employed in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Wheatley are receiving congratulations as are Mr. and Mrs. Walter LeCompte upon the arrival of a girl.

Miss Ruth McGinnes, of Florida, is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McGinnes, near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Earle Feddeman, of Centreville, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary Earle Feddeman, to John Harry Morrison, Ensign U. S. Navy. The wedding will take place Wednesday evening, May 17th, at 8 o'clock, at St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, Centreville. A reception will be held immediately after the marriage at the home of Mr and Mrs, Feddeman.

Dr. Norman Dudley is being congratulated on the arrival of a son. Mrs. Dudley and baby are in Easton Hospital and are doing nicely.

Miss Jennnette Gooding returned from The Church Home Saturday accompanied by her nurse. Scores of friends hope for her early convalescence.

Lyndon Jones, one of the pupils of the High School broke his arm while out practicing the high jump for Rally Day.

Mrs. Hopkins Burgess has been the guest of Mrs. R. Sterling Jones and daughter, Miss Isabelle Jones.

Colonel Clarence Hodson, an alumnus of Washington College, has sent the authorities of the college a check for $500 as a contribution to the fund to be raised by the Alumni Association before commencement.

Miss Anna Kilbourne, of Baltimore, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. William T. Duyer, recuperating in health,

Mrs. Lula Brown and daughter, Miss Louise, have been visiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Miss Elizabeth Battaile, of Upper Kent county, is spending a month in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Miss Bessie Duyer, formerly with F. A. Hurlock, has accepted a position in Hagerstown.

Clinton W. Wroth is improving. He is able to be uptown and mingle with his fellows.

Wm. Lester Baldwin, Esq., of Baltimore, was a Chestertown visitor during the week.

Samuel Beck, of Shreeveport, La., was the guest last week of his sister, Mrs. Allan A. Harris.

Mrs. J. W. McIntire has been visiting relatives in Baltimore the past week.

Mrs. James W. Kirby, Mrs. Webster McIntire, and Miss Zoa Elliott attended the State session of the Daughters of America held in Baltimore Wednesday. They were representatives from Chestertown Council.

Miss Nan Lloyd, of Pocomoke, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Edward J. Clarke.

The condition of Mrs. E. Stephens Valliant, who underwent a serious operation Monday at a Baltimore hospital, is reported as much improved.

Harry Derringer, of the U. S. Navy, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Alice Derringer, Mr. Derringer has just returned from Cuba, where he has been with the Atlantic Fleet.

Mrs. S. C. Roberts, of Washington, is the guest of friends in Chestertown.

Mrs. L. E. Barrett was called to Elkton last week by the illness of her aunt.

Miss Inez Russell is substituting as teacher of second grade in absence of Miss Rose Duyer.

Miss Agnes Hughes and Miss Geneive Heartleib, of Baltimore, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Webster Hadwaay.

B. L. Werner and family, of Gary, Ind., are guests of his uncle, H. Sachs on High street. Mr. Werner made the trip by auto and is delighted with our State roads.

Mrs. Emma Snitcher is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clifton L. Jarrell.

Miss Nettie Russell is visiting relatives in Baltimore.

Robert A. Robinson, formerly of Chestertown, but more recently of Blackfoot, Idaho, has been made telephone manager at Soda Springs, Idaho. Mr. Robinson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson, of Chestertown and for a number of years worked with the local telephone company and enters upon his new duties with ample experience in telephone service.

Mrs. Robert C. Harris and son Robert, of Baltimore, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Nicholson.

Mrs. Louis Sheats spent a part of last week in Baltimore and Washington.

Mrs. Sallie Hines is visiting her daughter at Chesapeake City.

Zay Davis was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Davis.

Price Rolph, of Wilmington, spent the week-end with his family here.

Mrs. Edna Bernd and sister, Miss Romaine Taylor, are visiting relatives in York, Pa.

Mrs. T. B. Elliott and daughter, Miss Zoa, have been the guests of the former's daughter in Baltimore for several days.

Capt. Wash. Woodall spent several days at home this week. He says the Daylight plan causes considerable confusion to the traveling public and to the boat officials.

Rev. W. M. Simms, of St. James, has purchased a new Chevrolet car.

Miss Irene Kirby has taken a position as bookkeeper at the Chestertown Ice Plant.

Save The Shad Fish !

Quick Action By Conservation Commission Is Urged To Save Fishing Industry.

That the last move toward the absolute destruction of shad and rock fish has probably been accomplished is the opinion of the seasoned fisherman of Betterton.

The pound net has arrived at the mouth of the Susquehanna. With one end fastened to Locust Point, on Spesutia Island in Harford county, the other over in Cecil above Turkey Point Lighthouse, with only a narraw opening for the passage of boats up the river, the stoppage of the migration of fish to the spawning grounds is assured. This barrier is reinforced by three others interlapping, making sure that no mother fish shall reach the rapids above Port Deposit, where her mission is wont to be accomplished.

A few years ago an ordinary week's fishing in the Upper Bay netted the fishermen 1,000 or more shad. Right now is the peak of fishing, and the lucky boats will not make the 100 mark. Others of the more than 100 fishing outfits will not receive enough to pay their operating expenses. Each of the $1,500 to $2,000.

They tell you at Betterton that they have had to go over under the guns of the Aberdeen proving grounds to obtain the few fish they are getting. Fish never used to travel this road, but nowadays, blocked from the Susquehanna, the instinct of the fish has driven them to concussion of the guns to protect maternity.

Above the Sinclair Pound at Spesutia lies the "flats" and then opens up the deep water of the Susquehanna. Fishing in this water is done by drifting nets or by three haul seines. The haul seines are fished from floats or rafts with housing facilities and necessary equipment. For about 15 days they have been on their "sets," and nets have been cast into the water only to be hauled in empty. They have given up the fight and withdrawn.

Romantic Feature Has Passed.

So has passed the only romantic feature of the net fishing, the hauling seine. The picture of a barge driven by 24 oarsmen in perfect unison, the speed regulated by the drone of the steersman standing upon a raised platform, was like a leaf from history of the days of Cleopatra, and has brought many spring visitors to Port Deposit and Havre de Grace.

Before the advent of the motorboat fishing about Betterton was all carried on in the Sassafras river. Cast your net in this river today and fishermen tell you that it will rot before it will catch a fish. Chestertown, right upon the Chester river, is obtaining her shad from bay ports. The same is true of Elk river, North East river, on the east side, Bush and Gunpowder river and Swan creek on the west shore, all spawning streams, and they send out the same story of "no fish on the spawning grounds."

Contrasted with the stories of almost unprecedented catches of fish in the lower bay to those unfamiliar with the situation the two stories conflict. To the initiated they are a sequence. Two years ago, it may be remembered, there was no spring and the pound nets were not placed until very late. Shad had the chance of their lives to get up the bay and they so availed themselves. Propagation was accomplished and this year shows the answer. Contrast with last spring, with its sparse catches, and the argument is clinched. Three years ago a mild winter and spring meant activity among the pounds.

Scarcity Seen In 1924.

The opinion of such men as Capt. P. M. Spencer is that a shad spawned in 1920 did not return to its birthplace until 1922. Then it came, or at least made valiant efforts to do so, to carry on the scheme of perpetuity. However, the brain of man has proven greater than instinct and the end of conservation has been reached. There will be comparatively few shad in 1924.

For what purpose is this destruction permitted to go on, Up-Bay dwellers ask. All the fish caught on the Eastern Shore of Maryland are loaded in refrigerator cars and rushed to the markets of Philadelphia and New York. Crisfield each morning sees a train of iced cars backed up against the waterfront and the next morning this same train loaded with shad has been delivered to points outside of Maryland, glutting the fish market, while at any point above Rock Hall today the home people are paying $1.40 to $1.50 for one lone fish.

This spawning season of shad should now be at its height. It is too late to save the crop of shad for 1924, but something may be done to save the mother rock fish which are now speeding up toward the Susquehanna to add their quota of 20,000,000 or 30,000,000 young rock to the water. The State law especially prohibits taking out these fish weighing more than 20 ponds. The salvation of this tribe depends absolutely upon enforcing this law right now and the Conservation Commission has the authority to do so. W. McC. in Sun.

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